

MELANCHOLY WOMEN.

Always Afraid Something Dreadful is Going to Happen.

How a Little Baby Girl Rolled the Clouds Away.

Of course a woman will naturally see the dark side of everything when tortured by some form of female disease, which her doctor cannot or does not relieve. No wonder she is melancholy when head and back ache, pains run through the whole body and loins, nerves are weak, stomach out of order, digestion poor, sense of fullness and bearing-down, poor sleep and appetite, always weak and tired, irregular menstruation, whites, etc.

She probably is not so fortunate as to know that all female ailments are indicated by these never failing symptoms, and are controlled by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; all female weaknesses quickly disappear by its use. It has been the thinking woman's safeguard for twenty years, and all druggists sell large quantities of it because it can be relied upon.

Still another woman speaks: "I wish you would publish my name with your testimonials. I want every one to know that your Vegetable Compound has made me well and strong. I sing its praises all the time. When I was first married I was very weak and had female troubles, badly; Oh, I was so weary, sick and melancholy, but the Vegetable Compound built me up, and now I have a dear baby girl, and I am so happy. No home is complete without a dear little baby and Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to roll the clouds away."—Mrs. Geo. Claus, 35 Danforth St., Buffalo, N. Y.

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WANTED, FOR SALE, ETC.

Tenement to rent. ELLIOTT CUBHMAN, Mrs. H. H. Bailey wants a few boarders. Cod, haddock, bluefish, halibut and pout this week. J. P. CARRIGAN.

FOR SALE.—Sawdust at the mill and pigs and seed barley at home. E. L. BASS.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.—A good girl to do general housework. R. G. MORTON.

TO RENT.—Two eight-room tenements in Gabrielle block on Weston street. 17

Nice tenement to rent. No. 14 Randolph avenue, for small family. G. L. MARTIN.

FOR SALE.—Twelve new milch cows. 3w D. M. ENGLISH, E. Brookfield.

WANTED.—25 head of cattle to pasture in Rochester. 3wp ABEL B. GOODSELL.

E. A. Thomas reports last Saturday as being one of the largest days in shoe sales he has ever had.

Special sale of ladies' shirt waists next Saturday, May 8th. Every one should see them at E. A. Thomas'.

A lot of personal property belonging to Mrs. L. G. Tilson will be sold at auction in depot square next Monday at 10 o'clock.

Ladies' garments and suits are selling very rapidly at E. A. Thomas'. Prices are fully 25 per cent cheaper than any concern in the state for quality.

I have a good secondhand Fleetwood range that I will sell cheap. Must dispose of it as house to which we soon move is fitted with another. L. B. JOHNSON.

Geo. J. Prince deals in dimension lumber, spruce and hemlock boards and planks of all kinds and shingles; also team work done to order. It will be for your interest to call and see him.

I will sell very cheap a handsome marbleized slate mantle fireplace all complete, fitted for a hot air furnace, good as new, am making repairs on my house and do not need it. W. B. VIALI.

FOR SALE.—90 Tribune bicycle, 22 1/2 lbs., first-class condition. Bargain for cash. Tribune, Hovoy and Irving wheels at \$100, \$75 and \$60. 1896 catalogues upon application. J. W. RAYMOND, Randolph, Vt.

FOR SALE.—An express wagon made by Bean, shelling top, for one horse or two; in good order, not worn, at a bargain. Also a 5-year-old horse, robust, well-bred and in good condition, cheap. Both at my stable. 2w WM. H. DuBois.

Valuable Land For Sale.

I will sell at public auction in depot square on Monday, the 11th day of May, A. D., 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, the valuable lot of land in the village of West Randolph known as the Bass meadow.

C. R. GRANGER, administrator of the C. E. Abbott estate.

Randolph Continued.

Miss Ann Sargent of Bethel was in town last Saturday calling on relatives.

Mrs. C. R. Miller came Monday from Worcester, Mass., to see her son, H. M. Miller.

Mrs. George Tatro arrived Saturday from Hartford, Conn., where she has been living lately.

W. A. McIntosh has finished work at the Abbott mill and gone back to the mill in Lebanon, N. H.

The next meeting of the Chautauquan ladies will be held Monday evening with Mrs. E. O. Blanchard.

Mrs. Wm. Messer and baby, and Mrs. Electa Cushman, of Barre, have been visiting at G. E. Cushman's.

Colonel Chandler returned to New York Monday evening. His family do not expect to be at "Mari-Castle" before the middle of June.

Oswon Woodcock has found employment for the summer in Bethel, where he is to build a large two-story tenement for Will Parsons of Warren.

The Ladies' Library will be closed this week Friday from 2 to 4:30 because of the shareholders' meeting at Mrs. Tewksbury's. Remember every shareholder must be present or send a proxy.

The members of the Cong'l church will have a sociable Friday evening at Mr. A. B. Tewksbury's. The subject of the program will be Eugene Field, and all are heartily invited to be present.

Miss Della Badger of Boston, Mass., one of the former assistants of the High school, spent two days in town recently with her aunt, Miss Clara Badger. She was on her way west and will stay awhile in Chicago before going to Owatonna, Minn.

At the road machine trial held at Barre April 28th between the Western Berwick, represented by J. B. Wells of this town, and the Climax, represented by Mr. Cook of New York, the first-named machine was pronounced far superior to the Climax. Barre and Orange purchased Western machines.

The Randolph friends of Mr. Silas B. Spaulding, whose home has been in Barre for several years, will be sorry to learn of his death at that place on Saturday last. On April 12th he had a paralytic shock affecting the nerves and rendering speech almost unintelligible, and from that time he faded gradually until his death.

W. W. Morton has sold his place on School street to Mrs. Lucius Webb of East Granville. The Webb family will take possession about the time of the opening of the fall term of school which one of the boys attends. Mr. Webb will continue his lumber business at East Granville as heretofore. The family will be a welcome addition to the citizenship of Randolph.

Colonel A. B. Chandler has purchased the Greene Griswold place on South Main street of Mrs. L. G. Tilson, who is to have the privilege of remaining there with her children for a year at least rent free and possibly as much longer as she likes. It is understood that the colonel paid no good price for the property that Mrs. Tilson is able to realize quite a sum over and above the mortgage.

The officers elected by the ladies of the W. C. T. U. at their annual meeting Tuesday afternoon were:—Mrs. Susie Morrow, president; Mrs. Fanny Lewis, 1st vice president; Mrs. Irene Dyer, 2nd; Mrs. Sarah Rogers, 3d; Mrs. V. M. Hardy, 4th; Mrs. H. M. Miller, 5th; Mrs. W. W. Carpenter, secretary; Mrs. E. Newton, treasurer; Mrs. A. B. Tewksbury, Mrs. Mary Holbrook, Mrs. H. M. Miller, Mrs. Ira Williams and Mrs. Fanny Lewis were chosen delegates to the county convention to be held at Newbury, May 27-29. The superintendents for the coming year are:—Mrs. Fanny Lewis, flower mission; Mrs. Emma Peters, press work and physical culture; Mrs. Irene Dyer, evangelist to work and systematic giving; Mrs. B. T. Little, temperance literature; Mrs. W. W. Carpenter, Union Signal and Vermont Home Guards.

Mrs. J. D. Wheeler visited in White River Junction Tuesday.

M. S. Adams of South Royalton is in town today on business.

Frank H. Tracy of Montpelier visited at N. C. Greene's last week.

Frank L. Parsons was in Northfield Monday on a business trip.

Miss Mary Howard, who teaches in Springfield, Mass., is at home.

Harold Thompson went to Highgate Springs Monday to remain for a short time.

W. O. Dompier is in Brookfield this week, painting the steeple of the First Cong'l church.

E. O. Hobart and family of Windsor have been in town this week, visiting at F. A. Hobart's.

The King's Daughters will meet with Mrs. E. E. Evans, Wednesday afternoon, May 13th, at 2:30 o'clock.

A. G. Wheeler went to Greensboro Monday to make arrangements for the opening of his cottage for the summer. Mrs. Wheeler expects to leave next Monday.

H. Porter Smith of Boston is in town this week, visiting relatives and settling up matters relative to the estate of his mother, the late Mrs. Laura Salisbury Smith.

E. E. Thompson of Northfield, who is a railway mail clerk running from St. Albans to Troy, N. Y., was in town Tuesday on a business trip, as well as visiting friends.

Frank Newton and family are to move in a few days to the Barnes place on School street, recently vacated by Fred Steele, who has moved into E. N. Rising's house on Weston street.

Norman Nichols met with quite a painful accident Wednesday, having had his thumb caught between a rail and a wrench. He is minus the end of the thumb as a consequence.

There will be an Old and Young Folks' ball in DuBois & Gay's hall Friday evening, May 8th. Music will be furnished by Manchester's orchestra, and the order of dances has been arranged with special reference to the taste of the "old folks" in such matters.

Last Friday afternoon the second nine of the Bethel and local high schools, assisted by a few from the first nine, played quite an interesting game of ball until nearly the end of the game, when the local nine scored a large number of runs, finally winning by a score of 33 to 14.

E. L. Soper was in Northfield Tuesday, visiting. He has recently been presented with a watch charm made of Quincy granite and highly polished. This came from a piece of the first granite ever quarried at Quincy and it was laid under the rails of the first railroad ever built in the United States. This makes the charm a very valuable relic. It was a gift from a dealer in the celebrated Quincy granite.

Miss Ethelnyd Gould arrives home today from a successful trip in Southern Vermont, Massachusetts and New Hampshire, where she has been giving recitals. She has received many flattering press notices in Massachusetts, where she has been for nearly three weeks, giving entertainments nearly every evening. She will soon begin to instruct the Royalton academy commencement class and has been invited to the Walpole, N. H., commencement concert to be held June 5th. The last of June she is engaged to attend a three days' session of the Juvenile Institute of Good Templars of the United States and Canada.

Commander George H. Hoyt of U. S. Grant post, G. A. R., has appointed committees for the different villages in town to have charge of the arrangements of the Memorial day exercises for the several cemeteries and they are as follows: For this village, Capt. J. E. Eldredge, E. T. Sault and Simon C. Webster; Randolph Center, S. C. Vorse, D. W. Eaton, H. C. Gilbert and Milan Hebert; East Randolph, James Putney, L. L. Parsons and Sylvester Little. As before stated in these columns, the principal exercises of the day will be held at the Center this year. Line will be formed at 11 o'clock and march to the cemetery and decorate the graves and conduct a memorial service in accordance with the rituals of the G. A. R. and its organizations. Dinner will be served by the citizens to the visitors. At 2 o'clock the literary and musical exercises will take place with an address by ex-Gov. E. J. Ormsbee of Brandon. The bands at East Randolph and the Center will consolidate and furnish music for the occasion. Details will decorate the graves in the several cemeteries in this town and Brantree.

The committee from Col. E. B. Mead camp, Sons of Veterans, will be appointed at the next meeting Saturday evening, to assist in the observance of the day.

"Mount Royal," the hill just back of "Mari-Castle," was purchased by Colonel Chandler last summer, and this season teams and workmen are making a road across its face, around the top. The drive is to be really a continuation of Maple street, but will be shut off from the public highway by a gate. Within the colonel's grounds, the road will cross first a narrow ravine over which a bridge is to be thrown, and then crossing the face of the hill will enter the woods, coming out again by the "Orphan's Home," the camping place of Messrs. Fred Huntington and Larry Mann. After passing this cottage it again enters the woods and forming a loop comes back on the first track. The ascent will be so gradual that the climber will hardly know that "the road winds uphill all the way." After the road is completed, dead timber and rubbish will be removed from the hill, and the grounds and woods made to present a neat and attractive appearance. It is not the colonel's intention to convert "Mount Royal" into a public park but rather to make it a delightful addition to the grounds of his summer residence. The village people, however, will be at liberty to follow its winding paths and call upon their visiting friends to admire the beauties of Randolph from so advantageous a point.

Prof. N. J. Whitehill, Hon. Wm. H. DuBois, John F. Mead, J. W. Fargo and John B. Goodrich, who were elected a board of library trustees at the last town meeting, met Saturday afternoon to organize and to discuss matters pertaining to the opening of the Free Public Library. The organization was effected by choosing Bro. Whitehill president; John F. Mead, vice president, and Hon. Wm. H. DuBois treasurer and secretary pro tem. With the exception of Mr. Goodrich, all the trustees were present at this meeting, and ways and means were fully discussed. Suitable quarters were decided upon, provided sufficient help could be obtained from the village for the rent, and it was determined to devote the money received from the state and town—\$200 in all—to the purchase of books, that sum representing about 200 volumes, which, with the loan of the Ladies' Library, will start a town library of over 2,000 books. Provision was also made for the incidental expenses, such as fire, lights, attendance, and so forth. The trustees, who do not wish to duplicate books of those in the Ladies' Library, or those that private individuals or clubs have expressed a desire to contribute to the town library, would like to receive suggestions in writing from the citizens of the town with regard to desirable works for which it would be well to expend the money now on hand. Such communications might be addressed either to the president or secretary. The thanks of the trustees were cordially given, in behalf of the citizens of the town, to the King's Daughters, for their vote of liberal contribution to the library fund, and to Rev. G. W. Morrow, for his lecture in its aid. These, and suggestions of contributions of books and material aid from our citizens and from former residents, give the trustees much encouragement in the work, the success of which we believe is already assured.

The streets were never dustier. Oh, for a street sprinkler!

Dr. S. N. Gould went to Montpelier to day on a business mission.

Miss Georgia White is off duty this week because of a severe cold.

Dr. Fred Morse, Prof. Curtis and Mr. Skinner of Royalton were in town Saturday.

The High school baseball team go to Barre Saturday to play the Barre Rubens. Monday they meet the Montpelier Methoist Seminary nine here on McCall's Park.

The Annual Village Meeting.

Tuesday evening there was a very small attendance at the annual village meeting and everything went off with a rush. There was hardly any opposition to an article in the warning.

Hon. John W. Rowell called the meeting to order, which at once elected Mr. Rowell as moderator for the year ensuing, and J. B. Eldredge, clerk.

The reports of the several village officers were made. First came the report of the street commissioner, H. S. Booth, who reported the total cost of the streets to be \$1,640.92. George P. Wood, chairman of the board of trustees, made a report which will be found embodied in the treasurer's report which we publish below. Hon. Wm. H. DuBois, the treasurer, being absent, his report was read by Charles G. DuBois, and the report of the water commissioners was made by Lemuel Richmond.

The reports of the several officers seemed to be so satisfactory that the old board of officers, so far as possible, were re-elected. The board of trustees were re-elected by acclamation and at the same time. They are Geo. P. Wood, E. A. Shattuck, G. E. Cushman, I. S. Chase and C. E. McCall. The other officers elected were: Hon. Wm. H. DuBois, treasurer; Granville W. Barnes, collector; J. F. Lamson, chief engineer; O. H. Tucker, first assistant engineer; E. E. Fish, second assistant engineer; J. P. Cleveland, A. H. Beedie and Hon. James Hutchinson, fire wardens; W. B. Vail, water commissioner for five years. The present five members are the only ones ever holding the position during the nine years of the existence of the present water department board.

When it came to the article relative to appropriating money for the rental of rooms for the new library, the voters showed a very commendable spirit in appropriating \$100 to be used for the rental of a room, heating, etc. Prof. Whitehill explained to what use the money was to be put which the board asked for and said that probably the library would start off with three thousand books. He asked the village for this money in order to make a good start as there are many expenses in connection with the opening of such an undertaking.

In regard to having a sewer laid to drain Weston street much was said, and the voters did not believe they were justified in appropriating a large sum of money without knowing what would meet the required wants of that and other streets through which the drain would have to pass. It was suggested that the trustees should investigate the advisability of having a complete sewer system surveyed and the estimate of its cost furnished before taking a decisive action. The trustees were then instructed to investigate the matter, and if need be, call a special meeting for that purpose.

The article in regard to having more concrete laid this year was laid upon the table.

A village tax of ten cents on the dollar was raised to defray the current expenses of the coming year.

No other business coming before the meeting, it was adjourned sine die.

Following is the treasurer's report:

CURRENT ACCOUNT.

DEBIT.

To highway money from State Treas. \$ 65 68

" cash from trustees, barrels sold 4 55

" " P. Bacon rent to May 1, '95 36

" " sundry persons, concrete 34 17

" " " sewer grading, etc. 45

" " E. N. Rising, damage to lamp 30 83

" " town, extra police circus 10

" " J. L. Morse, rent to May 1, '96 12

" " P. Bacon, on acc. rent to 1896 18

" " G. W. Barnes, Col. village tax 1194 83

" " G. W. Barnes, Col. highway 2213 97

Total \$3,562 13

CREDIT.

By balance due treasurer at settlement May 7, 1895, 117 37

" paid U. S. Grant post for Memorial day 3 00

" " for new cash book 7 15

" " W. M. Buck, printing tax receipts 4 75

" " Vt. Mut. Fire Ins. Co., insurance 19 38

" " town 1-4 highway tax 366 00

" " G. W. Barnes, services as collector 30 00

" " J. B. Eldredge, Ch. highway 5 00

" " credited water dept. rent 40 hydrants at \$10 400 00

" " village orders drawn by trustees 605 45

" " highway 1648 92

balance cash on hand May 5, 1896 154 03

Total \$3,562 13

WATER DEPARTMENT.

DEBIT.

To cash on hand May 7, 1896 \$2246 35

" charged village acc. rent 40 hydrants, \$15 600

" cash from L. K. Richmond, Supl. rents collected 2917 75

" from L. Richmond, material sold 257 31

Total \$4,021 41

CREDIT.

By paid freight bills, \$ 13 14

" " Fire and Water Journal 1 year 5

" " Henry Chandler, land damage 10

" " for material 455 04

" " work orders 312 33

" " note at bank 105 45

" " interest on note \$2,000 at 5 per cent 100 00

" " bonds \$21,000 840

" " printing, postage, stationery, etc. 260 83

" " L. Richmond, year's salary 2,044 45

Amount \$ 9,214 42

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" 4, " " " " " " " 50 to 65c " 37 1-2c

All Pattern Dresses marked at 25 per cent discount.

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Our store is the place to buy Oxfords, in fact, anything in the Shoe line, for satisfaction is guaranteed.

Sun Shades and Fans are new on our counters. A No. 1 fast black Stocking is the best and just as cheap when bought of us. Plenty of light, best assortment and lowest cash

prices are what you get selecting Carpets, Lace Curtains and Draperies in our new carpet room.

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